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ENABLING A COMPUTER TO PERFORM THE PROCESS

**COMMUNICATION TO THE EXAMINER**

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner return a copy of Form PTO-1449 accompanying the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), signed and initialed to indicate that the reference (reference AA) listed therein has been considered by the Office, for the IDS filed in the present application on **March 26, 2008**. In addition, it is respectfully requested that Attachment 1(g) to the IDSes filed **November 20, 2006; July 24, 2007; and March 26, 2008** be returned with initials indicating that the documents listed therein (document AE) have been considered by the Office.

Since the application has been allowed, this matter is somewhat urgent.

Respectfully submitted,

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